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Southern Region News Release Cattle Inventory



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US Cattle Inventory Up Slightly

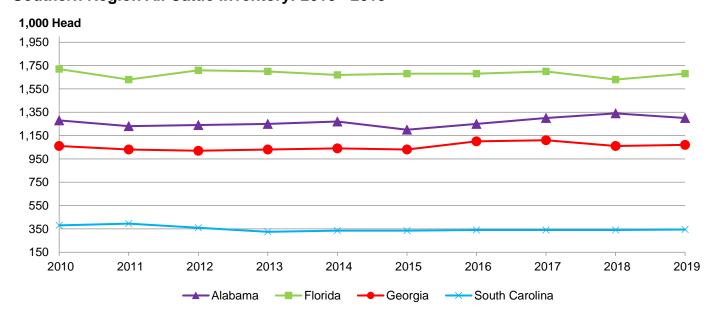
All cattle and calves in the United States, as of January 1, 2019, totaled 94.8 million head, up slightly from the 94.3 million head on January 1, 2018. All cows and heifers that have calved, at 41.1 million head, were 1 percent above the 40.9 million head on January 1, 2018. Beef cows, at 31.8 million head, were up 1 percent from a year ago. Milk cows, at 9.35 million head, were down 1 percent from the previous year. Alabama all cattle and calves totaled 1.30 million head, a decrease of 3 percent from January 1, 2018. Florida inventory, up 3 percent from last year, totaled 1.68 million head. All cattle and calves in Georgia totaled 1.07 million, up 1 percent from the previous year. South Carolina inventory, up 1 percent, totaled 345,000 head.

Cattle and Calves — States and United States: January 1, 2018 and 2019

	Cattle and calves						
State	2018	2019	Percent of previous year				
	(1,000 head)	(1,000 head)	(percent)				
AlabamaFloridaGeorgiaSouth Carolina	1,340.0 1,630.0 1,060.0 340.0		103				
United States	94,298.0	94,759.7	100				

Source: USDA National Agricultural Statistics Service - Cattle, February 2019

Southern Region All Cattle Inventory: 2010 - 2019

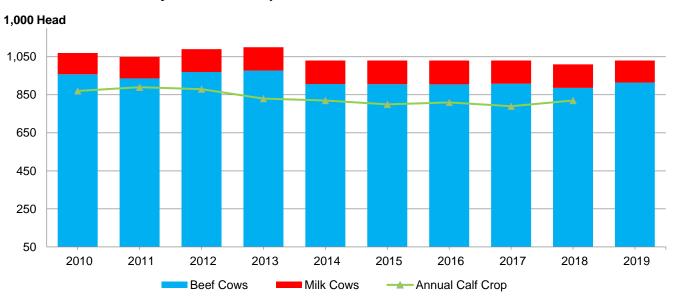


All Cows by Type — States and United States: January 1, 2018 and 2019

	All cows			Beef cows			Milk cows		
State	2018	2019	Percent of previous year	2018	2019	Percent of previous year	2018	2019	Percent of previous year
	(1,000 head)	(1,000 head)	(percent)	(1,000 head)	(1,000 head)	(percent)	(1,000 head)	(1,000 head)	(percent)
Alabama	720.0	710.0	99	714.0	705.0	99	6.0	5.0	83
Florida	1,010.0	1,030.0	102	886.0	914.0	103	124.0	116.0	94
Georgia	570.0	580.0	102	485.0	499.0	103	85.0	81.0	95
South Carolina	189.0	200.0	106	174.0	186.0	107	15.0	14.0	93
United States	40,898.3	41,119.1	101	31,466.2	31,765.7	101	9,432.1	9,353.4	99

Source: USDA National Agricultural Statistics Service - Cattle, February 2019

Florida Cow Inventory and Calf Crop



Heifers 500 Pounds and Over by Type — States and United States: January 1, 2018 and 2019

	Beef replacements			Milk replacements			Other heifers		
State	2018	2019	Percent of previous year	2018	2019	Percent of previous year	2018	2019	Percent of previous year
	(1,000 head)	(1,000 head)	(percent)	(1,000 head)	(1,000 head)	(percent)	(1,000 head)	(1,000 head)	(percent)
Alabama	125.0	121.0	97	3.0	2.0	67	37.0	32.0	86
Florida	115.0	130.0	113	40.0	35.0	88	30.0	25.0	83
Georgia	95.0	90.0	95	25.0	30.0	120	25.0	30.0	120
South Carolina	28.0	37.0	132	6.0	5.0	83	9.0	8.0	89
United States	6,108.2	5,924.9	97	4,768.3	4,701.5	99	9,341.3	9,603.6	103

Source: USDA National Agricultural Statistics Service - Cattle, February 2019

Steers, Bulls, and Calves — States and United States: January 1, 2018 and 2019

State	Steers 500 pounds and over			Bull 500 pounds and over			Calves under 500 pounds		
	2018	2019	Percent of previous year	2018	2019	Percent of previous year	2018	2019	Percent of previous year
	(1,000 head)	(1,000 head)	(percent)	(1,000 head)	(1,000 head)	(percent)	(1,000 head)	(1,000 head)	(percent)
Alabama	40.0	45.0	113	50.0	45.0	90	365.0	345.0	95
Florida	20.0	20.0	100	55.0	60.0	109	360.0	380.0	106
Georgia	35.0	37.0	106	35.0	33.0	94	275.0	270.0	98
South Carolina	10.0	10.0	100	16.0	14.0	88	82.0	71.0	87
United States	16,528.2	16,632.7	101	2,252.3	2,263.0	100	14,401.4	14,514.9	101

Source: USDA National Agricultural Statistics Service - Cattle, February 2019